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ON ILO'S PROPOSED BUDGET

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Poloff delivered reftel talking points on February 28 to Dr. Khaled Takhayneh, Deputy Director of the International Organizations Department at the Foreign Ministry. Dr. Khaled promised to share our concerns with the appropriate Jordanian officials, including in Geneva. He said he felt "80 percent sure" that Jordan would support our position in that they too saw other international needs, such as tsunami relief and HIV/AIDS, as a higher priority for limited funds.

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